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United Church Notes

The first regular meeting of the recently organised Young People's Union was held on Thursday evening last, and despite the severe weather conditions there was a good attendance. Mr. O.P. Larson, President, conducted the opening devotional exercises and presided throughout the rest of the evening. After the conclusion of the business items, a well chosen programme was presented by the young people, all of the numbers being well received. The topic on "Friendship" was convincingly and pleasingly delivered by Miss Aletha Knudson. Luncheon was served at the close. The young people are to be heartily congratulated on making a fine start, which gives much promise of future development, and it is quite evident that the Union will meet a great need in the life of the church. The next meeting will be held after the service on Sunday evening Dec. 20th, and all young are urged to join in the meantime. A hearty invitation is extended to all and sundry to attend the meetings.

At the meeting of the Tuxis-Trail Ranger group on Saturday morning an exciting election contest was held, for the purpose of selecting a member to attend the forthcoming Boys' Parliament. Three nominations were made Arthur Knudson, Bob Charter and Art Larson. All of the candidates spoke quite effectively, the last named requesting permission to retire from the contest. A ballot was taken on the remaining two names and the result was a tie; a second ballot was taken with the same result. In order to break the tie the two candidates drew slips, and Bob Charter was the fortunate holder of the one marked "member". Later a suggestion was made by the elected member that possibly both of them could attend the parliament; and the leaders are now making inquiries in the hope that it will be possible to make arrangements to this effect.

Services next Sunday: Paschendale 11 A.M., Crescent Hill 3 P.M., Irma 8 P.M. Weather prevented the out of town services being held last Sunday, but the pastor desires to announce that if the roads remain open, and the temperature is not in the depths below zero, it is his purpose to continue services at the country points, at any rate until the end of the year.

SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Iva Saugen.

Sunday, Dec. 13th.

Sunday school 1:30 p.m.

Ladies Aid meet at the home of Mrs. Joe Gulbraa, Dec. 17th.

Junior Hockey Reorganized

The Irma Junior Hockey Club was organized recently and the following officers were elected, Dr. C. Greenberg, manager; Arthur Knudson president; Clarence Carter, Secretary; and R.L. Martin, Coach.

Various business was done. The group discussed the possibility of arranging a junior Gas Line League. After other business was completed the meeting closed with a few words from Mr. North.

The annual meeting of the W.M.S. at the home of Mrs. J. Elliott on December 17th. The study book will be taken by Mrs. McKay and the hostesses are Mrs. J. Fletcher and Mrs. J. Fenton.

Wedding Bells.

HANSEN-THOMAS.

A pretty wedding was solemnized on Saturday, November 28, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Even Thomas when the Rev. R.A. Redman united in marriage, their youngest daughter Evelyn Henrietta to Mr. Christian Hansen, youngest son of Mr. C.R. Hansen and the late Mrs. Hanson of Denmark.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, wore a three quart length veil of tulle over a gown of ivory Pandora satin, and suede lace. Her bouquet was of white 'mums, pink carnations, and maiden hair fern. Miss Eunice Johnston was bridesmaid wore yellow suede taffeta and carried bronze 'mums, white carnations.

The groom was attended by the bride's brother, Mr. H. V. Thomas, of Reservoir.

During the signing of the register Mr. and Mrs. Edwards sang "Because". Following the ceremony a reception was held and the three-tiered wedding cake was cut by the bride. The bridal couple were assisted in receiving the guests by the bride's mother and sister, Mrs. E. Thomas and Mrs. G. A. Holden.

Later the happy couple left on their honeymoon, and the bride wore a blue wool crepe ensemble with accessories to match. On their return they will reside in Vancouver.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Thomas, and Shirley Anne of Revelstoke, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jackman of Newton, and Miss Jackman also of Newton.

Chris was very popular among the Irma people when he resided there some years ago, and the good wishes of all go with him on his new venture.

WOMENS INSTITUTE

The Irma branch of the Women's Institute wish to thank all who helped by donations and other ways to make our annual bazaar such a real success.

The Raffle winners: 1st prize, bed sheet, Mrs. Alf Bacon; 2nd prize cushion, Len Thurston; 3rd prize, bath towels, Mr. F. S. White.

1 lb tea raffled won by Walter Glover. Cake guessing competition, Mrs. W. Anderson and Mrs. C. Wilbraham—Mrs. C. Wilbraham, Sec.

The Irma branch of the Women's Institute held their annual meeting on Thursday 3rd December. Secretary reported a very successful year, auditor's report showed our financial position strong. There is an increase in the bank balance over last year. The first dental clinic held in August. Dr. Courier to 47 children, mothers and children coming in from the country were served lunch in the premises of the church.

Several mothers in our community have been supplied with baby clothes and families have been helped with clothes and boots. We thank the public for their co-operation in supporting our efforts to raise money to carry on the good work. Our motto is for Home and Country.

Officers elected: President, Mrs. J. C. McLean; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. Fletcher; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. W. Cole; Secretary, Mrs. C. Wilbraham; Treasurer, Mrs. K. Larson; director, Mrs. McFarland; Mrs. Martin, Mrs. W. Anderson.

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King Abdicates Throne

NEWS ITEMS FROM JARROW

Mrs. L. A. Larson and son Alvin motored to Edmonton last week.

Mr. Arnold Christensen visited his people in Edmonton over the weekend.

Mr. W. H. Barton is spending a few days in the city.

Miss Helen Adams of Melbrea who is nursing in the Viking hospital is spending a short holiday with her parents.

The Jarrow Ladies Aid met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. Mathews. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. A. Waite; vice-president Mrs. H. Whidden; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. R. W. Griffiths.

The school children are busy preparing for the Christmas concert to be held in the Community hall on Dec. 22nd.

The Rev. Marr of Calgary represents the British and Foreign Bible Society was a caller at the manse last week.

Mrs. Jessie McCracken, formerly of Jarrow, passed away at her home in Dundee, Scotland on the 25th day of November at the age of 61 years. She suffered from a serious operation that did not prove successful.

Mrs. McCracken spent 24 years in Jarrow and the Melbrea district. She sold her property in Jarrow and left for the old land in July 1934. She leaves to mourn her loss two sisters, Mrs. H. Bick, Mrs. T. Mathews of Jarrow, and one brother, Robert Heron of Melbrea, also two sisters in Scotland. Mrs. McCracken was always an active church worker and at the approach of death she made known to loved ones who had gathered about her bedside that she was ready to depart when the Divine call would come.

J. W. WYATT, FORMER RESIDENT, DEAD

Stricken by a heart attack shortly after breakfast, James William Wyatt, 53, manager of Associated Agencies, Ltd., and a well-known figure for 15 years in mortgage and real estate circles here, died suddenly Friday.

Born in York, Nebraska, Sept. 8, 1883, Mr. Wyatt received his education in Nebraska. Arriving in Edmonton in 1921, he at once established himself in the mortgage and real estate profession and was also prominent in clubs and lodges. He was a Mason and an Odd Fellow, and a member of the Orange Lodge and of the Cosmopolitan club. His office was located at 419 Empire block, his home, at 12008 83

St. Surviving are his wife, three daughters, Marjorie, Viola, and Norma, and one son, George, all in Edmonton, as well as three sisters living in the United States.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced late Friday.

The late Mr. Wyatt was in business in Irma a number of years before moving to Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Sorgen and Mr. Ben Maguire visited the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maguire last Sunday.

We are sorry to learn of the passing in Edmonton of Mrs. Candler, a sister of Mr. A. Turnbull, of Irma.

Miss B. Hargraves has resumed her duties after a week of the "flu".

LOUGHEED NEWS.

Miss Helen Lingquist was a visitor at the Bartholomew home last week end.

Mr. Gordon has been doing considerable work on his domes at the back of the Nazarene Church.

Eric Stokke, who has been employed here, returned home on Friday. He journeyed to Edmonton on Monday.

Sally Jack and Wes, pedlar were driving around the Sedgewick district on Sunday night. Hey Marvel!

The W.A. held a whist drive in the Lougheed Hall on Monday, Nov. 30th. A good time was reported to Killam afterward.

Art McCracken was helping Ray in the butcher shop for a time during the latter part of last week.

Morgan Johnson is visiting with his grandmother, Mrs. I.C. Johnson. Glen Pop, visited in Killam on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Gordon Brown was a business visitor in Lougheed on Tuesday. R.C. McCracken was buying poultry on Tuesday.

Kinsella Kernels.

The Ladies Aid Bazaar and Tea

St. was one of the biggest sales for some time. Total sales being \$104.00.

Mr. G. Taylor won the fancy wool

card. Miss Marian Watson and Miss Marjorie Holdsworth of Heath spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

Mr. B. Wachter spent the weekend at his home.

The golf drive held Sat. Dec. 5th was well attended. Miss Laura Mark received Ladies first prize and Mr. Seth Witton received Gents first prize.

Misses Lucile Mark and Dorothy Flinck spent the weekend in Edmonton.

Mr. Mr. F. Williams and Eileen Thorpe spent Monday in Edmonton.

Leila Kyle who suffered two broken bones in a fall, was home

fall with her last week, has returned

from the hospital. The community

will be deeply sorry.

Mr. Bert Mallen and Mr. Charles Hawlett spent the weekend in Edmonton.

The Kinsella School Xmas Concert

will be held on Wed. Dec. 23rd.

The "Rose-bowl" of Canada between the Sarnia and Guelph kickers finally died because of too much running. Five individuals were

injured, some just five too many

for an all-Canada classic. So after a

big kick, more kicks, and they booted

the event out of the picture entirely.

Holden, Dec. 7.—W. J. Flemming

was named president of Gas Line

Hockey League for the sixth successive season. The members intended

the meeting which was held recently.

Members of the league executive for the coming year are: Ken

Tory, Wainwright; C. Wilbraham,

Irvin, G. Edwards, Vikings, Black,

Holden and G. Allan of Telkwa.

First game in the league schedule

will be played on Dec. 14th. The

Northwestern Utilities cup will

again be at stake.

The business of the group was then dealt with.

Mrs. Dr. McPherson of Ryley, Alta.

gave a parable entitled "The Water Tank" written by Edward Balamey,

which was very much enjoyed by all.

Mr. Dr. McPherson of Ryley gave a talk on the work done by the Social Credit

Government. Mr. A.H. Locke then

moved a hearty vote of thanks to the

speakers. The meeting was brought

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Canada's Wild Birds

Game Birds Being Depleted By Drought And Toll Taken By Hunters

Canada has about five hundred species of wild birds. Not all these birds can be seen at any one time or in any one place in Canada or, in fact, anywhere else. Some are sea birds, rarely seen far from salt water; some are denizens of the deep forest, while others frequent open prairies, marsh or meadow, according to their natural requirements. Many are just birds of passage through much of Canada, nesting in the high north, wintering in the near or far south from just below the international boundary to the humid tropics.

Canada values her bird travellers and to protect those which spend a part of the year in Canada and a part of the year in the United States the two countries entered into a treaty almost 20 years ago, which by co-operation extends protection to migratory birds by means of close seasons, bag limits and the prohibition of unfair hunting methods. The birds do not belong to either country; they belong to both. Perhaps eighty per cent of the wild duck supply of the North American Continent is produced in the Prairie Provinces and vicinity. From this great waterfowl hatchery the continental supply migrates fan-wise until it reaches the Pacific, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Atlantic.

Most of the birds which are protected throughout Canada and the United States by the Migratory Birds Treaty are not under any major attack from man. The game birds, on the other hand, have had to meet an ever increasing demand from the hunters and many kinds of them have become seriously depleted. Firearms have improved and better roads let hunters reach the hunting grounds more easily. The marsh areas which the waterfowl frequent have been reduced by drainage or other causes until these birds have been often in a serious plight. Natural causes, among the most serious of them drought, as well as man's demands, have depleted the supply of water birds.

Almost A Century Old

Euston Station To Be Replaced By Modern Terminus.

Many Canadians, who have entered old London by Euston station, will be interested in the report that it is to be demolished to make room for a modern terminus. It is a year short of a century since Euston was opened, recalls the Glasgow Herald. Then the railway stretched as far as Boxmoor. Directors and their friends made the first journey. Unfortunately, when the train was steaming into Euston after a successful trip to Boxmoor, the brakeman turned the brake the wrong way, and the engine collided with the end of the platform. All in the train were badly shaken, and some were injured. It was an unlucky baptism for the new station, but directors and staff were undismayed. In 1837 six trains a day (three outward and three inward) were started to the sound of bugles. The longest distance through train ever run in Britain was the famous "Jellieco Express", which ran every week-day during the war from Euston to Thursby—717 miles. It took 22 hours to make the trip, and it was the first British train to have padded cell carriages for prisoners, such as deserters and spies.

No Danger From Mice

Rodents Will Not Touch Grain Treated With Chemicals

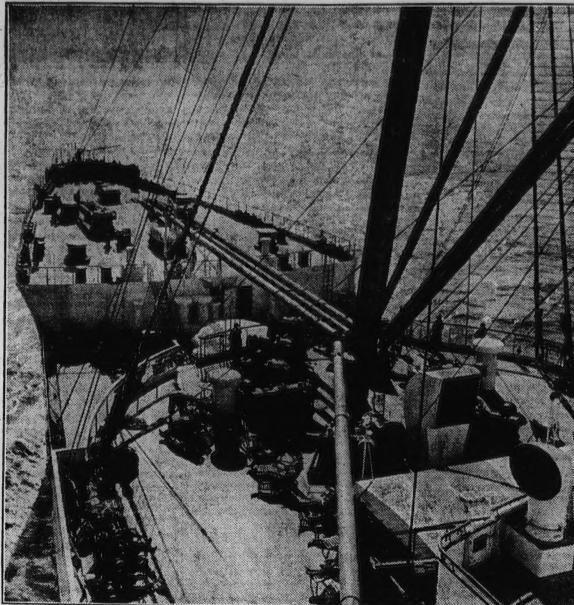
Seed grains, treated with dust chemicals for the prevention of seed-borne diseases such as smut, can be safely stored for six weeks or more without danger from mice, according to experiments worked out by L. H. Newman in Canada. That means that you can do this work well in advance of seeding time and have the seed ready for planting. Mice will not touch seed treated with the chemical dusts now on the market. Naturally, it will not be healthy for your hens or other livestock to eat the poisoned seed.—Country Home.

China Wants Policewomen

Shanghai is trying to enroll forty Chinese policewomen who belong in the higher intelligence brackets. Candidates must be 4 feet 5 inches in height, between 18 and 30 years of age, and graduates of a junior high school. They are given examination in history, mathematics, geography and science. The pay is \$3.25 a month during training and \$6 after graduation.

In 1859, Sweden issued a copper coin weighing 31 pounds and measuring 2 feet by 1 foot. The coin was worth about \$5.20.

FROM THE BRIDGE OF THE "QUEEN MARY"



A striking picture taken from the bridge of the world's great liner, as she set a course due west from Southampton for New York.

There Was A Reason

Why Small Church In Scotland Had Big Congregation

You may wean a Scot from his haggis, and there are, it is affirmed, expatriates from the land which lies north of the Tweed who follow after the strange customs of the aliens among whom they dwell to the extent of spoiling their parrish by putting sugar on it. But you shall not stop a true son of Caledonia from gaen' tae the Kirk.

Not even what an Associated Press dispatch calls "wet weather and a piercing, cold wind" will keep him away. Or, at any rate, it didn't one Sunday when the little minister of the tiny church at Craithe, Balmoral, preached to a congregation that in numbers resembled the eager crowds in Edinburgh in the sixteenth century that defied worse than weather to applaud stern John Knox. The wrathfully and roundly scolded Mary Queen of Scots. The gathering around the Craithe church was so great that the local police were quite flustered trying to untangle a seven-mile traffic jam.

King Edward was there, too. Christian Science Monitor.

Easy To Believe

Before an eminent judge, of the Scottish Bench, a counsel once urged on behalf of a plaintiff of somewhat dubious appearance:

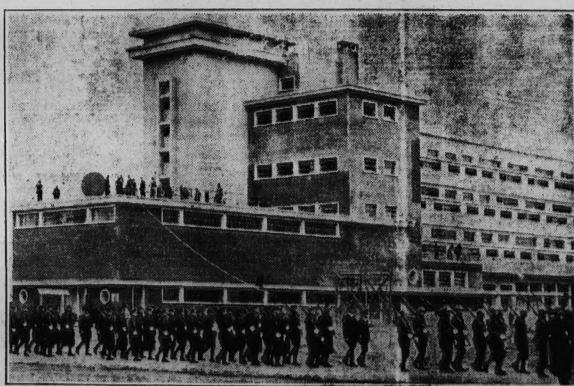
"My client, my lord, is a most remarkable man, and holds a very responsible position; he is manager of some waterworks."

"Yes," said the judge, "he looks like a man who could be trusted with any amount of water!"

According to Chinese tradition, use of cloth was evolved from the practice of women carrying their children in fibre nets.

The Queen Mary, newest trans-Atlantic liner, has 12 decks, of which the main deck is 750 feet long.

ITALY'S BIGGEST MILITARY AERODROME



The aerodrome, which covers about 296 acres, was constructed in 14 months, and has great aircraft sheds and splendid accommodation for officers and men. Part of the buildings are seen in our picture during the march past before Premier Mussolini, who opened the aerodrome recently.

Canada's Tree Trade

United States Still Imports Large Number For Christmas

We are living in a highly competitive age: no sooner does someone discover a profitable business connection or line of trade than someone else steps in to do battle with him for it. A proverb of the Victorian age used to say that competition was the life of trade but it is hard to see how the modern kind of competition is particularly life-giving.

An example is drawn to our attention by Mr. G. A. Newman, Assistant Trade Commissioner in New York, who in a report to the Commercial Intelligence Journal, speaking of Christmas trade—for which it is not too soon to prepare—states that there is an increased sale of potted trees and rather costly artificial trees in the Eastern United States where once the natural Canadian tree held sway; domestic supplies being irregular and limited by embargos on post-infested areas.

In spite of this condition, Mr. Newman adds, however, there is still a regular seasonal demand for trees cut in the provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; established dealers in the trade sending representatives to the various producing areas, as a rule, in the summer and autumn to contract for supplies. And just how extensive the trade has become may be seen from the fact that 3,573,642 Canadian Christmas trees, valued at \$364,135, were imported into the United States last year, as against 3,681,439 trees, valued at \$375,286 in 1934.

The trees thus imported are said to find a market in most of the large American cities of the East that may be reached without prohibitive freight charges. New York, as one would expect, is the main consuming centre; taking annually from 400 to 425 cars of from 1,500 to 2,000 trees; while Boston, Philadelphia, Detroit, Pittsburgh and other points account for somewhat smaller quantities. Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph.

Gas in Canisters

Special Kind Shipped From Glasgow To The Hebrides

Gas is being conveyed to the farm homes of the remote parts of Scotland, even out on the islands of the Hebrides, in canisters. The gas, which is of a special kind, is made in Glasgow and shipped to homes on the islands of Skye and Mull, the crofts of Argyllshire and the Highlands, where, for generations they have known nothing except the most primitive illumination, and no other heating and cooking appliances except wood or peat fires.

The new illuminating and heating mixture is called butane, and it will put the rural people on the same footing as many people in the big cities. One canister will give light for over four hundred hours, and cookers with several burners are able to supply all the heat necessary for continuous work for several days. A gas fire can be kept going for more than a hundred hours at full pressure, and one of the advantages is that the gas can be controlled just in the same way as ordinary gas on any company's apparatus.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Offensive Advertising

U.S. Government Thinks Liquor Advertisement No Place For Girl's Picture

Only two distillers out of hundreds used the U.S. Federal Government's edict that a liquor advertisement is no place for the picture of a pretty girl lapping up a cocktail.

There is no law against such display of feminine thirst, but the Federal Alcohol Administration thinks maybe the buyers of whisky aren't much interested. It thinks also that the prohibitionists have a legitimate kick when they see a tipsy-looking blond staring at them from billboards and street car signs and magazine ads.

An Unpublished Photograph

Queen Mary locked out, for the moment, at Jervaulx Abbey while on a visit would not be at all upset, having plenty of sang-froid. Her Majesty never expects preferential treatment merely because she is Queen, nor is her balance easily upset. Once she was photographed in a rather insolent fashion at a public affair. All she said was: "I think someone has taken a photograph, but before it is published it must be submitted." It was never published.

There's only one way to retire in time every night to get up early to go to work again.

Whales have the largest brains of all mammals, the largest on record weighing 7,000 grams.

Spreading Scientific Farm Knowledge

Encouraging Up-To-Date Methods Of Husbandry On Canadian Farms

With a view to spreading scientific farm knowledge and encouraging up-to-date methods of husbandry on Canadian farms, the Federal Department of Agriculture has established 223 illustration stations throughout the Dominion. Each is regarded as a community development project and stands as a unit for helpfulness in its neighborhood. It also serves as a connecting link between the experimental farm and the farmers of the various districts.

The first essential of an illustration station is to develop a crop improvement program by creating a station adapted to the district, and to provide feed for the animals on the farm. Next, the breeding phase of the work is developed, including the use of pure-bred qualified sires, as well as the weeding out of low producers by the use of dairy records. On an illustration station the objective is not only to develop an improved herd for the monetary benefit of the farmer on whose farm the station has been established, but eventually to create a source from which neighbors may obtain breeding stock. In poultry a concerted effort has been made to arouse greater interest in the proper housing, feeding, and development of the flocks. Special attention has been directed to developing the stations as seed-producing centres.

While illustration stations are primarily concerned with problems relating to crop and livestock production, the possibility of developing and maintaining attractive tree surroundings and adequate buildings is given due consideration. Shelter belts, hedges, shrubbery, lawns, perennial and annual flower borders are being steadily developed, and building plans for new homes, barns, and out-buildings are discussed with operators as required.

An Indian Rainmaker

Medicine Man Brings Showers In Exchange For Tobacco

Magician and medicine man, old "Frederick," native of Montreal Lake Indian reserve, may be the answer to the North Central American farmer's prayers. He will guarantee rain in copious quantities in exchange for a plug of tobacco.

Better known as Wee-Tee-Go, or Musqua, Frederick has been making the elements do his bidding for some time according to local records. For proof of his success he points to a never-failing source of the nicotine leaf.

For a plug of tobacco the 80-year-old Indian will work up a moderate shower. For five plugs he will conjure up a soaking downpour. Unlike Charles M. Hatfield, Alberta rainmaker who induced rain to fall near Medicine Hat in 1921, Frederick has never disclosed his methods to those outside the "trade."

When forest fires raged in the area, 60 miles north of Prince Albert, last June, T. J. Jepson, of the Saskatchewan natural resources department, arrived at Montreal Lake in an airplane piloted by Nick Carter. There was a clear sky and rain was sorely needed. Frederick, it is related, came through.

The aged rainmaker received his tobacco and within 24 hours rain fell. All but one of a number of deeply-rooted muskeg fires were effectively put out. Frederick lamented the fact that one plug had to be divided with three other agents in his "business."

Waterspouts Dangerous

Tremendous Weight Has Damaged Even Large Ocean Liners

Contrary to popular belief, waterspouts are formed from fresh water, condensed from the atmosphere by the rapid whirling motion of the tornado-like clouds. A waterspout is very dangerous to fishing boats and other small craft. Cases are on record where large ocean liners have been forced to limp into port, their plates battered from conflict with a waterspout. The danger of running into a spout lies in the fact that contact with the moving column of water is likely to shatter it so that its tremendous weight crashes on the deck. Waterspouts occur in widely distributed parts of the globe. They are also observed frequently on large inland bodies of water such as the Great Lakes.

To prevent needles and pins from rusting, stick them into a piece of flannel which has been saturated with machine oil.

The fastest thing a human being can do is wink an eye. That takes an average of one-tenth second.

Nerve Specialists Busy

London Doctors Hope Suicide Problem May Be Solved

Nerve specialists are conducting an investigation which they believe will reduce the number of murders and suicides.

In many cases where sudden emotional disturbance is the cause it is thought that by treatment before the danger period is reached tragedy might be prevented.

The investigation, which consists of an exploration of the sympathetic nervous system, the great uncharted area of the human body, is being carried out by the National Hospital for Diseases of the Nervous System, Queen's Square, London, W.C.

Nervous diseases cause more deaths than tuberculosis, while it has also been ascertained that one in every three people who are unable to work through ill-health are suffering from "anxiety neurosis."

"We are now trying to find the causes of abnormality," an official of the hospital told the News of the World, "and why it is that apparently normal people suddenly go mad and commit suicide or murder."

Once we discover the causes, we believe that by treatment we may be able to prevent a great many of these tragedies.

"Unfortunately, we are handicapped by lack of funds. This hospital, where 300 operations for the removal of tumors of the brain are conducted each year with 90 percent success, is the only one in the world co-ordinating every branch of research into the various nervous diseases."

"Specialists from all over the world attend our lectures, but we are cramped for space and have to use makeshift and antiquated apparatus."

By means of a film, "The Missing Record" which shows the stress and strain of modern life and its results, the hospital is making the first public appeal for funds in its 77 years' history.

In this film, shortly to be released, the public will be able to see for the first time an actual operation on the brain taking place.

The rebuilding scheme, for which the appeal is made, is to cost £180,000. The "Benevolent" Foundation has promised £60,000 of this, with a further £60,000 for endowment, provided the remaining £120,000 is raised by the public.

Fine Jacobean Mansion

Owned By Lord Lothian, House Dates Back To 1620

Blicking Hall, in Norfolk, which Lord Lothian lent to Mr. Baldwin, is one of the finest Jacobean mansions in England, but the cost of its upkeep is so heavy that in recent years it has been empty more often than not. Its pictures, by almost every well-known English artist, are famous. So were the treasures in its 127-foot long library until Lord Lothian sold some of the best of them in America a few years ago for over £100,000. There is a tapestry presented to a former owner by Peter the Great, a blood-stained secret attic, where a priest is supposed to have been murdered at the time of the Reformation, and a family portrait pierced by an ancestor of Lord Lothian's in a drunken brawl.

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"Give food! Give food! Very hungry! Now you hurry."

The fisherman, who neither liked the way he had been addressed nor foreigners, let fly in a foghorn voice that could be heard on shore.

"Aw! aw! ye, ye, funny fools. This isna' Moscow, this is Berwick. An' next time ye come back ye'll get a gun down your gullet."

"We're at war w/ Russia here!"

Silently the ship steamed off to sea.

Safety Cellars For Swiss

Under the terms of its agreement with Japan for sale of the Sino-Eastern Railroad, a large part of the purchase price to be paid in goods, the Soviet government has placed in Japan orders for products worth 70,000,000 yen. This represents 75 per cent. of the amount to be taken in kind.

Building materials, vegetable oils, tea, metals, textiles and electric motors account for a large part of the order.

In her new rig-out a lady passed out of the tenement. "She's lucky," commented Mrs. Mumford. "I can't get a new fur coat, a fashionable hat."

"Now, now," broke in Mrs. Joyas, "don't talk like that. You never know what you can do till you cry."

Will any of our men readers explain why an angler will sit watching and waiting at the water side for hours for a bite, but if he had to wait a few minutes for dinner he becomes impatient?

Preserving Fence Posts

Coal Tar Or Creosote Treatment Prolongs Life

Interesting information with regard to the preservation of fence posts has accrued from experiments carried out at the Range Experimental Station of the Dominion Department of Agriculture at Manyberries, Alberta. These experiments have been conducted to determine the relative merits of treated and untreated fence posts. In one experiment started in 1927, posts were treated with coal tar or creosote while other posts were left untreated. In 1936 all the treated posts were found to be sound but all the untreated ones were either completely rotted a few inches below the ground or showed such advanced stages of rot that they will have to be replaced within the next year. As it was, several of the untreated posts had to be replaced in 1934 and 1935.

At the end of a nine-year period, a comparison of the two treatments, tarring and creosoting, failed to show any definite advantage in favour of one or the other method. However, where cost and equipment are concerned, there is a decided advantage in the tarring treatment. The cost of tarring is from 1½ to 2 cents per post, whereas creosoting costs from 5 to 6 cents per post, depending on the size of the post. Moreover, a creosote dipping apparatus is more elaborate in construction and a longer time is necessary to do the job thoroughly.

Another experiment in progress is a comparison of other treatments with various kinds of wood. Pressure-treated (purchased commercially), bluestoned, and charred posts are being tested along with tarred and creosote-dipped posts. Charring has no apparent check on rotting, as all the charred posts were as badly rotted as the untreated. Pressure-treated pine posts show excellent durability but they entail a high initial cost for fencing large areas.

The bluestone treatment shows very good results, especially with poplar posts. The cost of bluestoning is usually less than 2 cents per post, the construction of the dipping tank and method of treatment being quite simple.

English Town Overlooked

Berwick-On-Tweed Still Technically At War With Russia

The border town of Berwick-on-Tweed, England, is still technically at war with Russia. Not Soviet Russia, but Imperial Russia of the tsars. No peace has been declared since the Crimean war—but neither have shots been fired.

It was all brought about because Berwick used to be a subject of dispute between England and Scotland. In the early part of the last century it had not been decided whether it was English or Scottish and so treaties signed by the United Kingdom had to include a separate clause for Berwick-on-Tweed. When peace was declared between Britain and Russia after the Crimean war, Berwick-on-Tweed was overlooked—so technically it is still at war.

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Safety Cellars For Swiss

Legislation making bomb-proof, gas-proof cellars compulsory for every house in Switzerland is expected to be introduced into the Swiss parliament shortly by the Federal government, according to the "Journal De Genve." Schemes for erecting public air-raid shelters in the most densely populated quarters of Switzerland's largest cities will also be laid before the parliament, it is understood.

Ancient Burial Urn

At Kanya, in the south of Hungary, a thousand-year-old burial urn has been unearthed. It is of burn clay and is mounted on wheels. The find is unique in the world and, although fragments of similar urns have been found in the district, this urn is the only one which assertedly still contains intact, the ashes of the ancient warrior.

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RESCUED 1,120 FROM RUINS ON ALCAZAR



This is what the historic Alcazar fortress in Toledo looked like, after seven weeks of battering by shells, bombs, and mines. Strangely enough only 80 persons were killed outright and about 1,120 came out alive, although hundreds of them were wounded.

About Pests

American Woman Does Not Place Squirrels In This Category

An American town has just received an earful of advice on how to handle the invasion of squirrels which has been driving the town to distraction.

The advice came from a Mrs. B. Roberts of Buffalo, N.Y., who wrote:

"To the mayor and police of Belle-ville, N.J. —

"To whom it may concern: Just read in the local paper an account of squirrels being pests. If you were hungry, what would you do?"

"Has it ever occurred to you and the people of your town to feed the squirrels? They have an much right to live as you have."

"They do not destroy anything. Try buying a few peanuts or any kind of nuta. I certainly don't approve of your attitude. I don't find squirrels pests. We feed them. We find children pests here."

An Elusive Burglar

Police Have Two Reasons For Naming Man "Flannel Foot"

Police in London, England, are singling a man of sadness about an elusive suburban burglar.

"Flannel Foot's back in town."

"They call the unknown pilferer 'Flannel Foot' for two reasons: They can't catch him to find out his real name and he leaves strips of flannel wherever he completes a little job of ransacking."

Flannel Foot has been active about 25 years—taking time out for an occasional vacation. During the war he was "somewhere in France" aiding Great Britain's forces.

The Kind He Knew

The young bride of an official in the Transkei, new of the ways of the Territory, was buying some odds and ends at the local trading station.

"Now, have you a cocktail shaker?" she asked the native assistant, who for a moment looked puzzled.

"Ah, no, missis," he said presently, his face lighting up, "but we got some ver' good feather dusters!"

Rastus: "Look heah. I don't told all not to shoot mah roostah, ain't I?"

Sambo: "Yes, an' I told you all to keep yo roostah outa mah garden, too, didn't I?"

Rastus: "Dat roostah wasn't in you garden. He jes' had his neck through dat crack in de fence."

Sambo: "Well, dat's all I shot wuz his neck!"

Has Become A Business

Diving For Coins No Longer A Sport In Honolulu

Diving into the waters of Honolulu Bay for coins thrown by tourists from incoming vessels has become a generally organized "racket," according to the frank admissions of members of the organization.

Some day, however, they admit, the means will be found outside of the present racket system for bringing to the surface all the coins that have been missed by the diving racketeers and when that day comes they declare a small fortune will be in store for someone.

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Super Beast Of Past

Largest Mammal Known To Science Once Lived In Asia

The only life-size restoration in the world of the baluchitherium—the largest land mammal known to science, and which lived in Asia some 25,000,000 years ago—is nearing completion. It will join the exhibits of the American Museum of Natural History.

Dr. Walter Granger, curator of fossil mammals, and Dr. William K. Gregory, curator of comparative and human anatomy, spent several years sorting and studying some 200 baluchitherium bones preliminary to the restoration of this super-beast of the prehistoric past. The baluchitherium is described as an over-sized, hornless rhinoceros. It lived in Asia when what is now the Gobi desert was a paradise of woods and water.

So far as is known, the baluchitherium was the largest land mammal that ever lived. It was taller than a giraffe, weighed as much as two ordinary elephants and the lowest part of its body, resting on four massive legs, was so high above the ground that a six-foot man could walk beneath it without removing his hat. The restoration was constructed on the basis of the largest bones of the several specimens found.

The restoration, which weighs more than a ton and made of plaster of paris on a wire mesh, is in the form of a bas-relief.

Unlike the elephant—which it outdistances in size—and the rhino—which it resembles in appearance—the baluchitherium had neither tusks nor horns. Its teeth were unusual in that it had two great incisors in each jaw. These, it is believed, were used by the animal in tearing leaves and branches from trees and bushes on which it fed, at the rate of several hundred pounds of fodder per day, it is estimated. The name of the beast is derived from the fact that first baluchitherium fossils were found in Baluchistan.

Writes Backward

Foolish Quirk Of Boys' Mind Is Puzzling Physicians

A "mirror-boy" who mind forces him to write backward figures and letters backward is puzzling physicians of a town in West Virginia.

The youngster is 11-year-old Harold Elliott, unable to advance beyond the second grade in school. His teacher, Miss Eleanor Mengert, discovered the queer quirk in his mental makeup which reverses objects he sees.

Told to copy a word, he started at the end.

"But, when I held a large mirror to the word and told him to copy from the mirror," Miss Mengert said, "he started with the first letter just as any child would."

Dr. D. L. Gallagher expressed the opinion the boy's condition is caused by incorrect co-ordination of his eyes and brain.

More Cattle Shipped

Figure To Date Show Decided Increase Over Last Year

Cattle shipments to Great Britain and the United States for the year to date amounted to 229,479 head, compared with 109,769 for the corresponding period in 1935, the department of agriculture has reported.

Shipments to Great Britain were 31,417 head against 5,213 last year, while 198,062 head were exported to the United States compared to 104,556 in 1935.

During a recent week 3,512 head, consisting of 1,917 beef cattle, 315 dairy and 1,280 calves, were shipped to the United States. There were also 1,229 hogs exported across the line.

Cattle shipments to Great Britain in the same period were 473 head.

Just As Stated

Alfred Sir to you. And those have been the Christian names of Alfred Sir Pugh, of Headstreet, Pershore, Worcs, ever since his polite mother took him to be christened at Pershore Abbey 86 years ago.

"Name this child," said the clergyman.

"Alfred, sir," said Mrs. Pugh. And down it went in the register.—London Sunday Pictorial.

The magnetic poles on the earth are not directly opposite each other. A line running from one to the other would miss the centre of the earth by about 750 miles.

Italy has returned to Austria 400 guns which were captured in the World War.

In wooded land, rainfall often is 25 per cent. greater than in open spaces.

BABY SHOW OVER-TAXED JUDGING ARRANGEMENTS



Owing to a hitch in the plans for the National Baby Show at Crystal Palace, London, England, only one doctor was engaged to act as judge, but there were 25,000 competitors. Eight additional doctors were quickly secured and the police also assisted.

Surgery of the Seas



Dr. Adam N. Beattie, surgeon of the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan, and his ship's nurse, Miss Margaret Grant Allan, who are shown here, performed two delicate operations during the ship's round trip to the Far East, via Honolulu, just completed in Vancouver. On the outward trip, between Honolulu and Yokohama, the liner's huge turbines were stalled for nearly an hour while Dr. Beattie removed a tonsil and removed a tumor from a Chinese passenger. On the homeward trip, between Hong Kong and Shanghai, the London, Ont. doctor's skill was again called into play when a Chinese saloon steward was stricken with acute appendicitis. Both patients are recovering well, the physician reported. Dr. Beattie, former house physician at the University of St. Paul's hospital, and a graduate of University of Western Ontario, medical student in London, Ont., reported that the Empress of Japan's splendidly equipped operating room made the operations little different in practice from any performed in large hospitals. His assistant, Miss Allan, is a graduate of St. Paul's hospital, Saskatoon. She has been in the Empress of Japan for the past three and a half years and previously was in the Empress of Russia. Dr. Beattie first went to sea in 1933 aboard the Canadian-Australasian liner "Niagara" out of Vancouver.

—Canadian Pacific Photo.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

By MRS. MARY MORTON

Menu Hint
Pineapple Juice Cheese Crackers
Lamb Stew With Vegetables
Green Peas
Orange Ice Cream
Coffee
Sometimes when I serve tomato, pineapple or other fruit juice as first course, I add a few cubes of cheese to the juice. This makes a delicious salad. Possibly, however, you would think this meal better balanced without the meat and something more substantial. The piece of lamb I bought to stew the other day was part of the shoulder and only cost me 29 cents. So far, it has served five people and is not all gone.

To-day's Recipes
LAMB STEW—Have the butcher cut the meat up into small pieces. Wipe them with a damp cloth, bathe in bacon or other fat, add an onion or two and brown, then gradually add hot water, turn the heat down and simmer gently until the meat is tender, then add potatoes, carrots, onions and turnips. If you like them enough, add a few cubes of cheese and season and serve. You may dredge the meat in flour before browning if you wish. If the gravy will be thicker.

GREEN-TOMATO CHUTNEY —
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Following factors have tended to raise prices: Large purchases of wheat by United Kingdom and Continent-Rumor Great Britain and other countries intend stocking up with wheat — Broonhill increases his estimated world imports by 16 million — Drought in parts U.S.A., winter wheat belt continues — World's rye crop estimates less than last year — South African maize crop considerably less than last year.

These factors have tended to lower prices: Large wheat crop seeded under favorable conditions in India — Argentina harvesting starts with clear weather on increased acreage; good threshing yields reported — Argentina suspends guaranteed minimums price to farmers on wheat and linseed — Greatly increased exports of vegetables from Cuba to U.S.A.

The Provincial sales tax branch has issued and distributed throughout the province, posters recalling the fact that every time an article of taxable goods is purchased outside the province that tax is owing the government.

The posters draw attention to regulation 21 of the Sales Tax Act, which requires people to pay two per cent on taxable goods purchased in another province. Failure to pay the tax within three days leaves a person open to a fine of \$500 or three months in jail.

The sales tax came into effect on May 1st, last and in the first six months of its operation yielded \$38,835.

Under provisions of Regulations 21, a person purchasing an article in British Columbia or Saskatchewan, which ordinarily would be taxed in Alberta, must write to the treasury department, enclosing the amount of the tax. The regulation, it is understood, was primarily designed to deal with the mail order business.

Here and There

Famous officers of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Sir John A. Macdonald, Prime Minister of Canada, arrived at Revelstoke recently and a series of historic meetings. Among them were Donald A. Smith, George Stephen, James J. Hill, Van Horne, and others. The railway was created for the past half century with the construction of Canada's first transcontinental railway. The party actually comprised a group of film stars and porters, the historic characters in the tense boardroom sequence of "The Great Barrier". Gaumont British picture depicting the strenuous railway construction days fifty years ago.

Says Gene Sarazen, one time world's champion golfer, writing of the Banff Springs Hotel course at the famous resort in the Rockies: "I have never seen anything like it. It is everything you could want. Miss Helen Hicks and I played it against two guests at the hotel and we were beaten. With a huge gallery it may seem funny to hear we simply couldn't keep our minds on the game—the scenery was simply too much."



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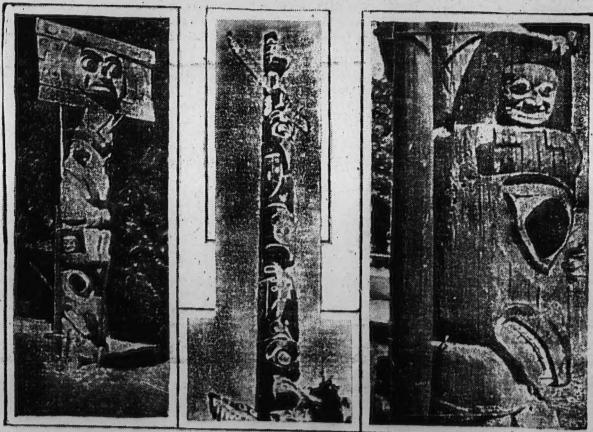
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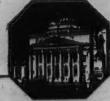


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(Conducted by Herb. Collier)

The total public debt of Canada has grown to between seven and eight billion dollars and is composed of public bonds (all public securities) that have been issued and "sold" by the various governments, federal, provincial and municipal.

Who holds these bonds? In the bondholders' report that was submitted to the provincial government a short time ago it is explained that, "Public bonds, such as those of Alberta, are the principal medium in which the savings of the Canadian people are invested directly by individuals or by institutions responsible for the value of insurance policies, savings deposits, pension funds and other trusts." These bondholders discovered long ago that public bonds were the securest and most profitable investment for their savings and net profits. Year after year they have been increasing their holdings of these bonds and a great majority of them would not invest in anything else.

But sooner or later all public bonds must be either redeemed in full with bank-money or repudiated in whole or in part. It is impossible to redeem the more than \$7-billion of them which are now outstanding with printed currency without causing tremendous inflation and it is also impossible to continue paying interest on them at half the present rates without increasing the public debt. It is the interest on the bonds that is continually causing the increase in the debt.

During the past fifteen years (1921-35) the federal government paid out in interest a total of \$1,966,200,000 and the increase during the same time in its bonded debt and guaranteed debt amounted to \$1,748,500,000. Thus all but \$218,000,000 of the interest was paid by issuing new bonds. Again the total interest paid by all governments, federal, provincial and municipal, during the same period amounted to approximately \$3,730,000,000 and their combined debt increased by \$3,383,505,000. That is, all but about \$450,000,000 of the interest for the fifteen years was paid by issuing new bonds. The paying of the interest forced the governments to issue the bonds. The same thing is happening in Great Britain, the United States and in other countries.

If we but examine carefully how our public borrowings in Canada are financed we shall discover the reasons why the interest on it is continually causing the public debt to grow. During the past six years the debt has grown at an average rate of \$300,000,000 a year. Where did the money come from each year to buy the new issues of bonds? The government paid out an average of \$350,000,000 a year in interest to the bondholders after collecting it by taxes from producers which took it out of circulation. The bondholders saved most of this interest and all they had to do was to keep it idle for a few months after receiving it and that forced the governments to issue and "sell" them new bonds which they paid for with the interest money. The governments were compelled to put the money back in circulation or all industry would have been blocked. It is the interest on the debt which first forces the governments to "sell" new bonds each year and then is used to purchase them.

The interest paid on public bonds is not earned by the bondholders. They do not help in the general process of production in any way, directly or indirectly. They are not producers. The interest is taken from producers and paid to them under a fallacious theory and does by far more harm than good. The collecting of it causes a chronic shortage of purchasing power among producers and unemployment.

The Rotary Plan

The Rotary Plan is a discovery of a new method of financing the total public debt of Canada directly through the chartered banks that will eliminate the paying of interest on it. The debt will still remain about what it is at present but it will be all owing to the banks and the banks will be fully paid for their services in financing it and will also be fully guaranteed against any loss.

In the refinancing of the debt the present bondholders will receive full values of their bonds in bank-money without any repudiation. Those bonds that may be selling in the open market below par will be redeemed at par and those selling above par will be redeemed at their market values.

After the refinancing of the debt there will be about \$8-billions of deposits in the chartered banks. Most of these deposits will be held continually idle the same as all bank deposits are now. By taking one-half of one per cent (1/2%) of the deposits,

which will aggregate about \$40,000,000, the federal government can rotate this large sum every three months in financing old age pensions and sufficient public works all over Canada to provide employment for all who may be at times industrially unemployed.

The \$40,000,000 will be transferred by the banks at the beginning of each quarter from general deposits to the federal government. The government will then disburse it for pensions and to pay for work, services and materials for the public works the money passing through all the channels of production and returning to general deposits. The \$40,000,000 will thus be rotated quarterly.

The financing of old age pensions and the public works will be accomplished without collecting one dollar by taxes on industry, without adding one dollar to the public debt and without printing one dollar of new currency.

Under the Rotary Plan there will be no unemployment in Canada.

FASHIONS



Viking Items.

Hilliker Bros., general merchants, are celebrating their thirtieth anniversary in business. Viking is their month. Beginning in a month ago in 1906 they now have one of the largest and most up-to-date establishments in this part of the province. They have seen this community grow from a small town to a city of its present size with a good representative business section, good homes, schools, hospital, and many other substantial improvements that make a good town. Hilliker Bros. have kept pace with the district, anticipating the needs of their patrons, and enlarging their premises and increasing and improving services to the public from year to year. For the past twenty-three years since May 1913 they have given the public to their store and tell them of the goods and services they are able to render. No doubt this has been one factor in the growth and progress of the firm. It should be noted in their advertisement this week they are inviting the public to share in their celebration this month in a new way. On New Year's Eve, 1937, they will be given away to some lucky person on Christmas eve. Many other valuable prizes are also on the list.

Albert Loades is down from Gibbons visiting his parents home for a couple of weeks.

The Hockey Club start the league with Tofield next Monday night.

The first game at the local arena is Friday the 18th.

The Swan Lake Club meeting will be held in Poplar Hill School Monday night, Dec. 14th. Lunch Committee Ned Cox, Albert Gray Mrs. McIntosh.

P. Cartier is a patient at the local hospital with a critical case of pneumonia. His many old-time friends in the district hope that he will make a complete recovery.

The public meeting held under Social Credit auspices in the Elks Hall on Friday evenings was well attended. Mr. Jas. Marshall, M.P. and A.E. Fee, M.L.A. addressed the gathering. On account of lack of time and space this week we have not been able to give any lengthy mention of the speeches.

Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Brooke, Stanley Rich-

ardson, Miss Gladys Reishus and Mr. Fimmaurice attended the annual get-together of gas company employees held in Edmonton last Friday evening.

The formal mid-supper entertainment was formally announced as promoted to general superintendent of the city and main lines. Mr. Brooks has succeeded Mr. Green as local superintendent.

The members of the Women's Institute held an enjoyable banquet at the new Viking hotel on Tuesday evening. At the annual meeting the new officers were elected for the other year. Mrs. Rollans, president, was presented with a beautiful bouquet of carnations.

Santa Claus and his nut for the children will be at the Elks Hall Dec. 23rd, at the big annual Xmas event of the United Church Sunday School.

Mrs. Dann and daughters, Dorothy and Betty, sail from England on January 2nd on the "Duchess of Bedford." They report having a grand time and wish all their friends a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Collier and Mrs. Stella Rollans have returned to Edmonton after enjoying a visit with friends and relatives here. Several social affairs were held in their honor during their stay in Viking.

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Scouts Do Good Turn**Members In India Give Real Service During Pilgrimage**

What is described as the world's greatest boy scout public service good turn is contained in a report on the solar eclipse "Mela" at Kurukshetra, India, of June, this year, attended by over 300,000 pilgrims.

Normally Kurukshetra is a village, and its increase to the proportions of a large city by the arrival of Hindu pilgrims presents many serious sanitary and other problems. One of these is the control of the excited throngs during the progress of the eclipse, when the pilgrims are rushing for the bathing places.

In earlier years there were many drownings in the "tanks" or lakes, and deaths from snakebites and from snake bites and cholera. Since 1928, when the boy scouts began to assist the authorities, the casualties have steadily declined, until this year not one fatal accident, or death from cholera was reported.

The scouts' organization included an information bureau, life-saving brigades at the tanks, cholera mobile and mobile health brigade, water supply, fire brigade and a traffic brigade. Preliminary work included clearing snakes from the ground where the people camped.

The 200 trained scout life-savers constructed 20 rafts, each of which was manned by two senior scouts, with ropes and tackle. A number of drowning pilgrims were rescued.

The tremendous rush to the bathing tanks at the time of the actual eclipse, previously the cause of numerous deaths, was controlled by the maintenance of one-way traffic between the tanks.

The mobile choirs and health brigades were credited with exceptional service. Each scout was equipped with pint bottles of strong phenyl solution and kerosene for burning infected clothes, and a disinfecting station dealt with the clothes of scouts who came in contact with suspected cholera cases. Previously each boy had been inoculated against cholera.

The information bureau in addition to supplying pilgrims with all manner of information and advice, took care of lost women and children, and lost property.

A significant feature of this public service of Indian scouts is that it is shared by boys of all creeds—Sikh, Hindoo, Moslem and Christian—disregarding the caste of their elders and working together in complete amity under the banner of scouting.

Good Guide To Character**Girls Advised To Give Prospective Husband A Traffic Test**

The American Automobile Association asserts that the best guide to a man's character is the way he drives a car.

"If a prospective bride," said Burton Marsh, director of the safety and traffic engineering department, "really wants to know her future husband's mind, let her ride with him through a traffic jam—she'll learn things."

A half-mile drive through tooting horns, screeching brakes and traffic policemen, he said, will bring out: A violent temper, nerves, tendency to fatigue, timidity, manners and sportsmanship.

"It is quite true," Marsh explained, "that a man may be polite and quiet in his office and home, yet a little tilt with tough traffic will reveal that he's a bully at heart."

Without going into the psychological reasons behind it, Marsh said driving seems to stimulate the "show-off" and the "dare-devil" more than other types.

Mickey Mouse**Popular With Movie Fans, He Celebrates His Eighth Birthday**

Mickey Mouse's eighth birthday was celebrated recently.

At the age of eight, Mickey Mouse is far and away the most popular of all movie stars. He has been decorated with 21 medals. He attracts fan-letters from 80 different countries, his studio says.

His natal day came when a real live mouse made friends with Disney in a back room studio in Kansas City.

"I kept several mice in a cage on my desk," Disney recalls. "One was quite tame. He seemed to have a personality all his own. He used to crawl all over while I was working."

"I named him Mortimer first, then shortened it to Mickey."

Contraband Of War

The term "Contraband of War" was first used in the treaty between England and Spain in 1625. Actually it is applied to arms and ammunition, and materials from which they can be made, carried by neutral vessels to either parties engaged in war.

Prevalence Of Heart Disease**Death Rate For Many Years Has Been On The Increase**

"Heart disease should have a greater share of interest as a public health problem," writes Dr. Ross Jamieson, Toronto heart specialist, in the current issue of "Health," official organ of the Health League of Canada. "The death rate from heart disease has for many years been on the increase, while from tuberculosis and the infectious diseases it has been diminishing, not by chance, but as the result of proper and efficient education of the public in rules of prevention and treatment."

The treatment of heart disease, Dr. Jamieson states, must be directed to the "control or care of the underlying disease process, such as rheumatic fever, syphilis, hypertension, and the prevention or relief of associated abnormalities in function which might arise as the result of disease."

The time to work toward the first of these objectives is in the early stages of the causative process and before the heart is permanently damaged. Dr. Jamieson urges in his article.

Rest is "a tremendous power for good" in the treatment of heart disease, he contends. "Rest does not mean invalidism, but rather a rational way of living in proportion to the individual capabilities. One may actually require rest in bed, while another may need only moderate restrictions of their activities. If there be any working rule regarding exercise, it is that patients may be permitted to indulge in exercise that does not produce shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart or undue fatigue."

Diet is of considerable importance in relation to heart disease, Dr. Jamieson states. "Its importance does not lie so much in the restriction in quantity. It is desirable for the patient with heart disease not to over-eat at any one meal. It may be better to eat five small meals than three large ones. The patient who is definitely overweight will undoubtedly benefit by a prescribed reducing diet."

"All cardiac drug treatment must be supervised by a physician," Dr. Jamieson concludes. "Self-medication is unreliable and often dangerous."

Will Require New Carriers**If Trains And Steamers Carry Autos For Their Passengers**

It is possible the auto carrying business by trains and steamers will, in due time, bring about the development of a new type of carrier in each case. Neither the steamers that ply into Port Arthur nor the trains that run here were designed in the first instance to carry automobiles after the same manner as baggage.

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Just what sort of railway cars may be seen on the trains of the future, if people get to travelling by train, and taking their cars with them at the same time, cannot be said. Probably they will be quite different from the ordinary baggage car of today.

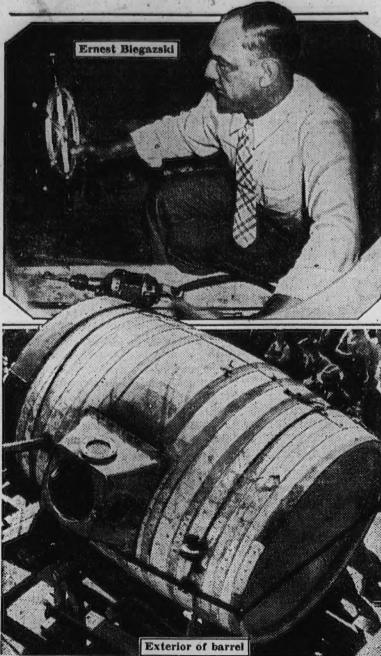
The business of carrying tourists' automobiles was first tried by the railways of the United States. It appears to have been a successful experiment. Experience is similar to that of the lake carriers. The business grows mainly where the trip is long. It was three years ago that the Illinois Central began a service to Florida, delivering the cars to passengers who debarked there. The number of cars thus carried on that one line in the first year was 99, in the second year 275 and last year 555.

Whether by boat or train the business of hauling the traveller's car is still in its infancy, but it is a promising babyhood.—Port Arthur News Chronicle.

Officers' Wives Barred

Lady Britten, wife of the ship's commander will never sail in the "Queen Mary" while her husband remains in charge. She wouldn't be allowed to, even if she offered to pay her fare, for the owning company have a rule that no official may take his wife with him. Their daughter, Mary Britten, might one day sail with her father. There's nothing to prevent that.

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PLANS TO CROSS-ATLANTIC IN BARREL

Planning a trans-Atlantic voyage in a barrel 9 feet long, Ernest Biegazski, a Buffalo war veteran, is to try out his unique craft by attempting a voyage from Buffalo to Cleveland.

Owl Is Dumb Bird**Idea About Its Wiseness Is Wrong Opinion Of Scientist**

The United States Biological Survey has given the lie to the ancient assertion that the owl is wise.

"The owl," said Col. H. P. Sheldon, "is a fool, and you can quote me as saying so."

The Greeks—it was pointed out—started the story about the owl's brains when they assigned the horned owl of Southern Europe to Pallas Athena as an emblem of her celestial wisdom.

Once launched, the fable continued through the ages, the bird becoming the centrepiece of scores of coats of arms, the breastpiece of kings and the emblem of numerous fraternal lodges.

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Gold Leaf Is Fragile

Gold leaf is about 1,200 times thinner than the average sheet of paper. The slightest handling of it by a layman will cause it to disintegrate and disappear into the pores of the fingers. But placed on the outside of a building, such as a State Capitol's dome, it will wear for years.

May Reach Century Mark

Dr. A. Eugene Austin, personal physician to John D. Rockefeller, Sr., believes the American financier will realize his ambition to live to be 100 years old. "At 97," Dr. Austin said, "Mr. Rockefeller is alert, active and keenly interested in worldly affairs. He is 20 years younger than his age."

Germany is sharply increasing its imports of American cotton.

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An Important Event**Anniversary Of First Ascent Of Mount Blanc Observed**

The little mountain resort of Chamonix, high in the Savoy Alps, has celebrated an event of importance to climbers all over the world—the 150th anniversary of the first ascent of Mount Blanc, Europe's best known and second highest peak.

Military ceremonies, the traditional parade of Alpine guides and a display of the latest technique of saving in the high altitudes marked the occasion.

And at the same time the French government honored the body of men who, for years, since Alpine climbing became a popular and expensive sport, have brought hundreds of thousands of tourist dollars to France. M. Benoit Coutet, president of the Association of Guides, was awarded the ribbon of the Legion of Honor.

It was in 1786 that the fortunes of Chamonix were founded by the first ascent of the mountain by Jacques Balmat, a chamois hunter and a local doctor, Gabriel Poccart.

Jim—Politics mean nothing to me. I'm going to vote for that fellow because I like him.

Hen—I understand you were going to vote for him because he gave you \$10.

Jim—Wouldn't you like a man who gave you \$10?

Will Not Go To School**Princess Elizabeth To Be Educated By Private Tutors**

Princess Elizabeth of York, who may become a second Queen Elizabeth, will not go to school.

The young princess, now in her 11th year, will be given special private instruction, it was decided at a family council at Balmoral Castle, Scotland, attended by the King and the Duke and Duchess of York.

Reasons for the decision were said to be the difficulty in choosing a school without causing deep jealousy, the question of her schoolmates and the unusual character of the studies she will have to undertake. The decision is said to be in accordance with the expressed wishes of the late King George V.

The course of future studies for the princess was decided by a special committee headed by the Duke of York after consultation with leading educationalists. The entire subject has been considered by the cabinet. It was understood the Duke's suggestions were fully approved by the cabinet members.

At present Miss Crawford, the governess of the princess, is in complete charge of the child's lessons. Miss Crawford is assisted by a special woman instructor in French and a music teacher. Later a tutor will take up the classics and history.

Safe Driving**Twenty-One Rules Recommended For Motorists**

Twenty-one rules have been recommended to motorists for lowering the toll of auto accidents. They were drawn up at a meeting in New York of students of motoring and are calculated to make highways safer.

They are: keeping car in proper condition; observance of traffic laws, signals, etc.; consideration for others; caution; alertness; speed to fit conditions; good early training; no driving while drinking; pass only when safe; luck.

No dependence on other driver; ability to size up situation; exercise of common sense; strict attention to driving; enjoyment of driving; slow, steady driving; driving only when physically fit; willingness to yield right-of-way; personal responsibility; taking no chances; avoiding hurry.

Eastern Canada Airlines**Flight Of British Aircraft Is Built For Canada**

The first complete fleet of British aircraft built for Canada was named at Hamworthy by Lady Shelmerdine, wife of the director-general of civil aviation in Britain.

The five machines comprising the first units of the fleet also are the first British aeroplanes specially designed as freighters. They were built by General Aircraft for eastern Canada airlines and are named after the five chief cities between which they will operate: Moncton, N.B.; Halifax, Saint John, N.B.; Sydney, N.S., and Charlottetown.

An eminent Cape Cod oyster grower asserts that 25 per cent of the persons who order oyster stew don't bother to eat the oysters in it.

The opossum uses its tail as a hand in clinging to boughs.

Japan is almost entirely dependent on outside sources for its coal.

The Gift Of Dowsing**Demonstration Seen By London Newspaper Man Was Convincing**

A conference was held in England recently of one of the most unique organizations in the world—the Society of Dowsers. There were about 100 present. Whether that included their immediate relatives or not is not indicated, but at any rate it is safe to say that there are not more than 100 people in the country who are eligible to join through having the gift of "dowsing," which means being able to locate underground water by means of a leafy twig known as a "divining rod."

Many people are sceptical about "dowsing," and pooh-pooh the idea. Until recently one of the sceptics was W. Fletcher Cooper, a London newspaperman, so having the newspaperman's urge for fact-finding he resolved to put the matter to test when he was introduced to a man in a Gloucestershire village who had the gift of water divining, a gift or instinct also shared by his mother and his sister.

A known subterranean stream was near by, and at the request of the journalist who was accompanied by a friend, the diviner gave a demonstration of his peculiar faculty. He cut a twig about two feet long from a hedge and grasped the ends until the twig was bent in a semi-circular direction in front of him. Immediately he reached the spot over which the stream was to flow, the twig began to twist and turn, the convulsions becoming more manifest where, the "dowser" explained, the water was deepest. Mr. Fletcher and his friend each tried the experiment by themselves but there was no reaction. Mr. Fletcher then asked the diviner to hold one end of the twig and took the other himself, then they took hold of each other's free hands to complete the circle. It twisted and writhed so vigorously that, gripping hard, Mr. Fletcher was unable to keep it still. As a further test, Mr. Fletcher and his friend each held one end of the twig, and with the diviner not holding the stick at all but joining hands to complete the circle, the same phenomena was experienced.

In this instance the diviner knew the water was there, but the fact that he was not touching the twig in the last experiment indicates that had nothing to do with his reaction. This奇特 gift, or whatever it is, is well recognized and authenticated in England and in other countries, and "dowsers" have located water in hundreds of cases on farms and other places where it was sought to sink wells. It is fortunate the days of witchcraft are over, else they might be burned at the stake.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Good Advice From Doctor**Keep Slim And Treat Body As Carefully As Car**

To live to be a hundred years old is an art.

To reach the century all that is necessary is to keep slim and to treat the body as a car.

Such is the advice of Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, eminent British specialist, who on attaining the age of 80 this year, has indulged in a few reflections.

"There is no earthly reason why every human being should not reach the century mark—let alone a mere 80," said Sir William.

"Treat your body as you treat your motor car and you will feel as young as I do at 80. But keep slim. I can tell you when a man is going to die by one look at his paunch."

"At city banquets I pick them out. 'You will last about eight years,' I say to myself—and I am always right."

Sir William is a man with no regrets. He gave up one of the most widespread and lucrative practices in England to try to teach people how to avoid doctors.

"They did not like me for it," Sir William added. "But now I have earned my reward. Doctors are making their living out of keeping people fit rather than by curing their ills."

Every Day A Sabbath

Each of the seven days of the week is designated as the Sabbath Day by various nationalities and religions.

Monday is the Greek Sabbath.

Tuesday is the Persian Sabbath.

Wednesday is the Assyrian Sabbath.

Thursday is the Egyptian Sabbath.

Friday is the Turkish Sabbath.

Saturday is the Jewish Sabbath.

Sunday is the Christian Sabbath.

Spaniards brought grapefruit to Florida in the 16th century.

The Bahama Islands got \$300,000 for sponges it shipped out last year.



From Dublin Opinion.

Development Of Television

Miss Laurie Devine, Of Australia, Dances For First Television Program

The television broadcasting experiments carried out by the British Broadcasting Corporation were described at Melbourne, Australia, by Miss Laurie Devine, a dancer, who claims to have done more television work than anyone else in the world. She danced in the first television program broadcast by the B.B.C. in 1933 and appeared regularly twice a week for nearly two years until the programs were discontinued.

Miss Devine's acrobatic dancing was particularly suited to television, as all the movements were "wide" and decisive. Ballet dancing had too much detail to broadcast well, she said, and tap-dancing, although good for sound purposes, was blurred pictorially.

The first make-up used was absolutely mask-like, black eyes and lips being imposed on clear white skin, with blue streaks drawn down both sides of the nose. This was later modified, and blue was used for phasis, instead of black. Television dresses had to be carefully considered, black and white being contrasted, so that there was no large expanse of one color. The dances had to be specially arranged and were executed on a black and white check floor to prevent blurring. The television house was so limited that Miss Devine could not stretch out both her hands or kick high without moving outside the picture.

At present, Miss Devine said, the B.B.C. was experimenting in a new process to provide a more solid picture, as well as having a wider beam. For close-up television blondes were better than brunettes. Although television reception sets were most expensive, a number of wireless fans had made their own. It was difficult to know how widely the programs had been received, but she had received letters from Italy, Sweden and Scotland.

Miss Devine, an Australian by birth, started her dancing career with Wirth's circus when aged five years. She was trained by her father, Tom Rees, a circus man who died recently.

Physical Training

British Educationalist Says 'More Stress On Subject Is Needed'

The beautiful walk and poise of the modern girl is due to greater provision for physical training. Sir William Forest, chairman of Blackburn Education, told the British Institute of Adult Education at Oxford.

He suggested that more physical training colleges were needed for men.

Mr. E. Major, principal of the Carnegie Physical Training College, Leeds, said the majority of children new left school with a love of and desire to take part in physical activities, but the facilities and opportunities for further physical education were totally inadequate.

"As a nation," he added, "we are not maintaining the standard of physical development which racially or naturally belongs to us."

U.S. Court Trials

American Newspaper Man Favors The English System

Stuart H. Purdy, publisher of the Adrian, Mich., Telegram, told fellow members of the Inland Daily Press Association they should reform themselves against what he termed the covering of court trials "as if they were sporting events."

He attacked various cases of what he termed "hippodrome" trial reporting. While he praised the English system of contempt proceedings against this style he termed it ineffective here because "the American courts are virtually helpless to enforce the powers they possess."

"Until judges and prosecutors are appointed and police chief and other law enforcement officials are rescued from the spoils of politics, there is little hope for a change," he said.

Louis XIV. of France was embarrassed by baldness at a time when fashion decreed that men should wear long wigs; so he had the first periwig made for him. All his courtiers adopted the fashion of wearing wigs so that the king might not be self-conscious.

A gangster among trees is the strangling-fig, says Dr. John K. Small, New York botanist, for this tree destroys its plant victims by enveloping them, and sometimes caps the climax by destroying itself.

Germany shipped nearly 675 tons of artificial flowers to other countries in the first six months of this year.

ROYAL LOVERS ATTEND ARMY MANOEUVRES



Queen Wilhelmina of Holland (extreme right), accompanied by Princess Julianne and Prince Bernhard zur Lippe-Biesterfeld, inspecting a camouflaged light field-piece during army manoeuvres in the southern part of Holland. The engagement of the Princess and young German Prince was announced recently.

Hawaiian Civilization

Knack For Colorful Speech Is Characteristic Of These People

For a picture of the spirit of Hawaiians and their civilization, Henry P. Judd has made an extensive collection of old Hawaiian proverbs. Judd is professor of Hawaiian at the University of Hawaii and a former president of the Hawaiian Historical Society.

"The Hawaiian, in his keen power of observation, his sense of humor, his ability to satirize social life, to estimate achievements correctly and to express his ideas of religion and morals in a concise form, displayed remarkable talent which surely must give him high rank among the peoples of the world, and characterize the Hawaiian people as generous-hearted, amiable, practical and fond of nature."

Many modern proverbs have their counterparts. "While the rain is still far off, thatch your house" was their earlier version of the modern "Make hay while the sun shines."

Fair for colorful description is indicated in:

A bald-headed man is like the rising moon; a double-chinned person is like a wrinkled-up eel; a gray-haired person is like white sugar-cane.

The Hawaiians are adept at satire and delight in contending pretentious people with simple savagery. "A man's round purses when not full," he said. And, "Eels in shallow water show their color."

The Hawaiians always have been sentimental. "Love is like fog; there is no mountain on which it does not rest." They paid this sentiment the highest compliment when they said: "Love excels a calabash of fish and poi!"

Knack for colorful speech is indicated by expressions "entangled by the whiskers" (for caught unaware); "old age is the red sky of evening."

Aerial Photographs

Measuring Of Land By Aerial Method In Arkansas

Measuring of land and checking of performance in accordance with the agricultural conservation program through the use of aerial photographs is now being carried out in Arkansas, reports C. C. Randall, acting assistant extension director.

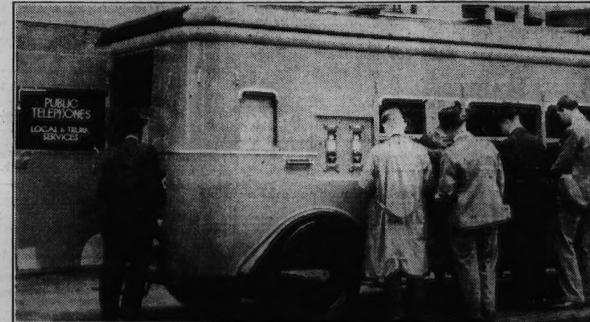
An index map is used to determine the location of the individual pictures, and each farm is checked against the picture. Each field is identified and the acreage determined. One square inch of surface on the photograph equals ten acres.

"When I looked out of the window, Johnny, I was glad to see you playing marbles with Billy Simpkins."

"We wasn't playing marbles. 'We'd just had a fight and I was helping him pick up his teeth."

More and more the attention of the medical profession, and of intelligent people generally, is being focused on health examination before marriage.

INAUGURATION OF MOBILE POST OFFICE IN ENGLAND



A fully equipped Post Office on wheels, with stamp wickets, letter slots, telephone and telegraph facilities, has been put into operation in England. It will be used largely at Agricultural Shows and small villages where local equipment is temporarily over-taxed.

The Machine Age

If Man Does Not Master The Machine, The Result Is Social Disaster

Either man will master the machine, or the machine will master man. Such, in effect, was the conclusion of M. Edouard Herriot in addressing the International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation at Geneva. The development of a mechanized civilization may prove to be good or bad, precisely as we adapt our economic system to the new conditions. We cannot stop that development; it is therefore for us to see to it that there is adequate distribution and increasing consumption.

The more the problem of the machine is considered, the more fundamental it will be seen to be. If it is not solved, it is capable of smothering civilization. For if machines take the place of men (as they are doing, for even in the countries which are now recovering from economic unemployment persists), there must be revolt, in which anything may happen. One has only to look at the world to-day to observe the ominous signs of social dislocation. The paradox of greater production and greater poverty will infallibly have explosive effects whose consequences will be far more serious than appears to be anticipated.

Yet the alternative to social disaster does not appear difficult. It is nothing less than the gradual emancipation of mankind from arduous and disagreeable manual tasks, and an immense improvement of society. It is necessary that political leaders, manufacturers, business men and economists should think out a system which will distribute goods as fast as they are produced. On the one hand, there can be no permanent restriction of production, but on the other hand the inevitable growth of production, in the world as it is managed to-day, means destruction of purchasing power and spread of misery.

It may be that this is the root question on the right answer to which will depend the happiness or unhappiness of civilized countries in the near future. The machine is the modern Sphinx. If we cannot read the riddle, then we must pay the penalty. If we can read the riddle, then we shall win a new freedom—Christian Science Monitor.

Another Ocean To Conquer

Australian Airmen Anxiously Discussing Problem Of New Flight

The possibility that an Australian aviator will be the first to cross the Indian Ocean—yet unexplored by air, is now being eagerly discussed in aviation circles at Sydney, New South Wales.

The proposal that this pioneer flight should be organized, in order to open up a regular service by this route to South Africa, is strongly supported by Harold Gatty, the famous round-the-world flier.

"Crossing the Indian Ocean is the most valuable flight that remains to be done," he said. "Its great importance is that it would provide an alternative service route from England to Australia.

"In case of trouble in the Mediterranean or Asia Minor, the English-Australian airways could come through via Africa and the Indian Ocean islands.

"It appears to me that a perfectly practicable route could be flown, from England to West Africa, across to Mombasa and thence to Australia."

Capt. P. G. Taylor, a well-known Australian aviator, has signed his readiness to undertake the flight. But he will only do it provided he has authority to select the aircraft, the route, the crew and the equipment.

Catches Large Fish

North American Tuna Record Almost Broken By Texan

Dr. John R. Brinkley, of Del Rio, Texas, missed setting a new North American tuna record by two pounds, it was revealed at Liverpool, N.S., recently, by the Liverpool Tuna Club. Dr. Brinkley recently landed a 757-pounder in one hour and 55 minutes. His catch was one pound less than the 758-pound record set in 1924 off this port by Zane Gray. Gray's fish was a world record until 1934, when an 851-pound fish was caught off Whitby, England, by L. Mitchell Henry.

Dr. Brinkley made his catch, the largest in ten years, under Liverpool Tuna Club regulations, using a 39-thread line and 32-ounce tip. The fish was 9 feet 6 inches in length and had a girth of 6 feet 6 inches. It is the fourth fish weighing more than 600 pounds that Dr. Brinkley has landed this season.

Pipa toads, natives of South America, are so thin that one can see through them.

Ontario Farmers' Problem

Grain Weevil Causes Heating In Many Granaries

The presence of weevil in granaries is believed to be responsible for the large amount of new grain that is heating this fall on Elgin county farms. Numerous farmers have communicated with F. S. Thomas, Agricultural Representative, recently, reporting that their stored grain was heating badly, particularly wheat. Some cases of oats and barley heating have also been reported.

Undoubtedly the grain weevil is responsible for much of the trouble, Mr. Thomas stated. It is probably the result of several years of grain storage. In ordinary years, when grain prices were favorable, the average farmer sold the bulk of his grain after threshing but in the last four or five years, with prices poor, there have been heavy carry-overs of grain for feeding. The result is that the weevils have had many opportunities to breed. Granary bins no doubt have been infested with the destructive insects and new grain, placed in the granaries this fall, has been attacked.

In cases of severe infestation fumigation may be necessary. To be successful, fumigation must be carried out when the temperature of the grain is over 70 degrees Fahrenheit. Carbide bisulphide is one of the most effective fumigants, but care should be exercised in its use as it vaporizes into a foul-smelling, highly inflammable, poisonous gas when exposed to the air. The quantity to use depends on the gas-tightness of the receptacle. Under satisfactory fumigating conditions, the quantity recommended is one pound of liquid to every 50 bushels of grain.

A very useful spray that may be used for destroying the insects in grain storage places is cheaply made from pyrethrum insect powder and kerosene. This is prepared by adding one-half pone of pyrethrum to one gallon of kerosene, allowing the mixture to stand and agitating it at intervals over a period of two hours or longer. The residue settles at the bottom.

A peculiar thing about grain insects is that they become inactive at temperatures below 45 degrees. In most parts of Canada the winter temperature is sufficiently low to prevent much insect development in unheated storerooms. Grain that is damp or heavily infested, however, may maintain temperatures favorable to insects in spite of prevailing low outside temperature conditions.

Digging Into History

Study Table Manners And Eating Utensils From Earliest Days

Digging into the history of eating, scientists came up with the assertion that civilization's first fork users were called *sissies*.

"Italians," explained the National Geographic Society, "were the first to use forks for eating, and were ridiculed as ultra-fatidistic or even effeminate."

The table manners research was launched after a joint expedition of National Geographic and Smithsonian Institution scientists uncovered some 1,000-year-old spoons in Alaska.

"These ancient utensils," the scientists reported, "give a vivid picture of the life 10 centuries ago, but they are also reminders that although table manners have changed, eating implements of to-day are essentially the same as in prehistoric times."

They hastened to add that the Eskimo still clings to the age-old use of his knife. This consists of stuffing his mouth with meat and then whacking off the remainder with a swift stroke that barely misses his nose.

Getting An Education

Foreign-Born Farm Worker Who Was Willing To Overcome Obstacles

When one sees how easy it is for some people to get an education, the reverse must draw attention. There is a foreign-born farm worker, who is employed eight miles from London, Ont., who never missed an evening class at the technical school in that city last winter. Every night he walked the eight miles to the city and eight miles back so that he can improve his English. This year it is expected a compatriot will make the trip each night. That man who walked sixteen miles each night to be sure he learns English has the makings of a good Canadian citizen. Surely such a man will get benefit from a course which causes him so much labor—Niagara Falls Review.

Beavers use their tails to slap out signals on the water surface and to steer themselves while swimming.

Practical Gift Suggestions for Christmas

Household Linens

Small inexpensive pieces that reflect the good taste of the giver, and are always so acceptable to maid or matron.

Linen Bridge Sets

Irish Linen Bridge Sets, a cloth and four napkins, nicely boxed and distinctive embroidered designs, priced from 99c

Breakfast Cloths

54 inch Breakfast Cloths done in linen with fancy border also smart new cotton cloths, fast colors in meticulous designs 98c
Extra heavy quality 52x68 \$1.59

Rayon Damask Sets

Beautiful Rayon Damask Cloths, with napkins to match. Lovely patterns that have a most distinctive appearance, neatly boxed. 50x50 \$2.69
Extra heavy weight 54x54 \$3.49

Japanese Breakfast Covers

Japanese Crepe Covers size 50x50, good quality crepe, lovely patterns, bright with all the gay colors of the Orient 50c

Tartan Covers

Yes, even in Table Covers gay tartans, bright and cheery, size 50x50, only 69c

Chinese Hand Work

Low in cost lovely in material and workmanship

Table Sets

Pretty little Table Sets, size 36x36, with napkins to match, just as dainty as can be, only 59c

Pure Linen Table Sets

Pure linen cloths with napkins to match, all hand done in lovely cross stitch design, fast colors, hand turned hems 1.95

Pure Linen Covers

Napkins to match, hand made cut work, center edge finished with hand made lace \$2.95

Pillow Cases

Wabasso fine count white Cambric Pillow Cases finished with colored border, or colored beading, hemstitched per pair \$1.00

Wabasso Bed Sets

A lovely gift set by Wabasso, fine count sheet, 81x99, hemstitched, 2 pillow cases to match, hemstitched, all done up in a nice gift box \$3.89

Special Christmas Pillow Case Offer

Special hand embroidered Maderia type, nice qualit ycloth, cut work design, 42 inch cases, on sale while they last, per pair \$1.39

Fancy Christmas Lingerie

Much the largest and nicest assortment we have ever been privileged to show you; smart yet inexpensive.

Dance Sets

Smart Rayon sets nicely lace trimmed, brassiere and pantie, gift boxed \$1.00

SILK HOSE

When in doubt you cannot err if you pick Silk Hose. Supersilk line of pure tread Silk Hose, all the wanted fall shades. Service weight 75c

Crepe, Service, Chiffon Service \$1.00

Whisper Crepe \$1.50

Real Silk Dance Set Special

Made from real silk crepe brassiere and panty, very neatly trimmed, gift boxed, tea rose shade, special for Christmas \$1.39

Slips

Baronet satin slips, bias cut, full size, tea rose shade, top finished with silk embroidery lace bottoms, wonderful value \$1.69

Night Gowns

Simply beautiful are these lovely gowns made from baronet satin, tea rose shade, cape shoulder fogat trim on front, boxed \$1.98

Towels

All new, all smartly styled, we have them for you either in Cellophane wrap or by the piece, all brand spanking new, priced from a pair up 35c

Stanfield's Nova Silk Lingerie

Each garment put up in its own smart box. These pyjamas and night gowns will find enthusiastic endorsers everywhere. Finest grade Rayon and the best workmanship. All full sized and in new smart designs, priced \$2.59 to \$2.98

"Ardele" Real Silk Dance Sets

For the fastidious miss all real silk fabrics and all hand finished neat little lace trims. French knot designs add a smart touch. Come in tea, rose, white, and blue, in both satin and crepe

Priced \$1.59; \$1.98; \$2.98

Leat' er Hand Bags

Another new lot in this week of smart leather handbags, all the latest Montreal fancies

Priced 98c-\$2.59

Handkerchiefs

Boxed handkerchiefs, all new numbers this season; neat attractive kerchiefs and neatly boxed, Priced up from 25c

Men's Dress Accessories

Done by "Currie". Always they have been good. This year they have excelled themselves in the fine quality of the goods and neatness and novelty of their packages.

Belts

Hickok Belts for men assure you of the belt he will want, all boxed individually, staple belts and fancy patterns, priced 50c to \$2.00

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The popular narrow dress suspenders with all the tastiest fixings, all done up in special gift boxes, priced 50c; \$1.00; \$1.50

Men's Suspender and Garter Sets

Matched sets of the stylish narrow suspenders and garters to match \$1.00 and \$1.50

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"Currie" garters are the kind the men like. See the new Bakelite picture frame with a pair of garters in each frame 25c-50c

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All done up in Christmas packing at no extra cost. You may have them in pure Irish linen, or in the colorful Tootal crepes from England; priced from 25c

Men's Sox

Never since this world began has a man had enough let alone too many socks. Make some man happy with a few extra pairs of these Holeproof Sox which he knows are up to the minute. Come in all the fancy patterns and either in brogue or silly and wool weights. Auto gart tops on the better ones. Priced 50c and 75c

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Currie quality in smart arm bands and garters Per set 75c

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Never have you been able to buy a good Currie Tie, good patterns, correctly made, styled and boxed so nicely before for this money, each 49c

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A new fabric from England, styled by Currie, absolutely will not crush or wrinkle, and such wonderful patterns; boxed \$1.00; \$1.50

BOYS' HANDKERCHIEFS

Smartly patterned Kerchiefs for boys in gift boxes, 2 for 25c

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Just the kind the men wear, smart narrow ones with seal leather ends. Boxed of course 50c

BOYS' TIES

Currie Ties for boys in boxes and Currie styled, just like the men's are 29c and 50c

BOYS' DRESS SHIRTS

Tooke Shirts for Boys; smart small patterns and just the same style and cut as a man's good shirt 98c

BOYS' BELTS

Good leather belts for good or not so good boys; Christmas boxes, assorted colors 50c

MEN'S SCARVES

Scotch wool Scarves that are not only popular but so cozy and warm as well. All are new, bright patterns, either knit or cashmere weaves.

Priced at \$1.00

MEN'S HICKOK JEWELRY

Tie Clips, parlor clips, chain clips, and sets all nicely boxed, from 25c

Fine Foods at LOW COST

GROCERIES

APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS FOODS

JAP ORANGES Orient brand, luscious 95c

APPLES heavy pack, wrapped Spys, Waggers, Delicious for your Christmas table \$2.45
Unwrapped Waggers and Spys \$2.10

NUTS new crop California walnuts, brazils, filberts 25c
Almonds 35c

CANDY 5 lb boxes Ganong assorted Choco-and bon bons \$1.19

Neilsen's best CHOCOLATES, in bulk lb 39c

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FANCY BISCUITS Higrade Weston Biscuits, assorted 29c

Cigars and Cigarettes

Simon's Cigars and all the popular brands of Cigarettes in appropriate boxes.

J. C. McFarland, Irma

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FOR SALE—Registered 222 wheat certificate number 76-1006, second generation. Price \$1.45 per bushel—Mrs. E. R. DeFrain. 4-18p

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